

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1 1. A tubular skylight comprising:  
2 a seamless flashing;  
3 a transparent dome engageable with the flashing; and  
4 at least one skylight tube depending downwardly from the flashing.

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2. The skylight of Claim 1, wherein the flashing comprises:  
a hollow frusto-conical shaped curb defining an open top, the open top being covered  
by the dome, the curb defining a bottom opposite the open top; and  
a skirt extending radially away from the bottom of the curb, the skirt being formed  
with at least one rib.

3. The skylight of Claim 2, wherein the skirt defines a radial dimension, and the skirt  
is formed with plural ribs, each rib being oriented radially on the skirt.

4. The skylight of Claim 2, wherein the skirt defines an outer periphery, and the rib is  
formed along at least part of the periphery.

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5. The skylight of Claim 3, wherein the skirt defines an outer periphery, and the flashing  
includes at least one rib formed along at least part of the periphery.

- 1 6. A roof flashing, comprising:
- a hollow frusto-conical shaped curb defining a bottom end; and
- a skirt extending radially away from the bottom end, the skirt being formed with at least one surface strengthening anomaly.
- 1 7. The roof flashing of Claim 6, wherein the surface strengthening anomaly is a rib, the skirt defines a radial dimension, and the skirt is formed with plural ribs, each rib being oriented radially on the skirt.
- 2 8. The roof flashing of Claim 6, wherein the surface strengthening anomaly is a rib, the skirt defines an outer periphery, and the rib is formed along at least part of the periphery.
- 3 9. The roof flashing of Claim 7, wherein the skirt defines an outer periphery, and the flashing includes at least one rib formed along at least part of the periphery.
- 1 10. A method for making a flashing, comprising the acts of:
- 2 providing a flat piece of sheet metal;
- 3 engaging the sheet metal with a forming die;
- 4 actuating the forming die to establish a frusto-conical curb defining a top and a radial skirt extending away from the curb to establish a seamless stock flashing;
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6 cutting a hole in the top of the curb;  
7 engaging the stock flashing with a ribbing die; and  
8 actuating the ribbing die to form at least one rib in the flashing.

1 11. The method of Claim 10, wherein the forming die and ribbing die are separate from  
2 each other.

10 12. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the acts of:  
2 disengaging the stock flashing from the cutting die prior to engaging the stock  
3 flashing with the ribbing die.

10 13. The method of Claim 10, wherein at least two of: forming the flashing, cutting the  
2 flashing, and ribbing the flashing, are undertaken by a single die.

1 14. A method for making a seamless skylight flashing, comprising the acts of:  
2 forming a seamless stock flashing having a hollow curb defining first and second ends  
3 and a skirt extending radially away from an end; and  
4 forming at least one rib on the skirt.

1 15. The method of Claim 14, wherein the forming acts are undertaken using at least one  
2 press die.